

## **2016-17 Achievements**

- GMBC have continued to provide the standard set of race series throughout the year including the “Crazy Six” GMBC Round of VES with a fantastic turnout. We have extended the duration of the No Frills race to minimum of 50 mins in response to members feedback last year.
- Put in committee organisation structure to help define roles & responsibilities and keep doing what we are doing more efficiently.
- GMBC commissioned two pretty ugly Trophies for the Yowie to help elevate the status. Just need to find a home for them for display. Entries were approx. average against several other national cycling events the same weekend. No Female 99km Champion on the Trophy yet.
- Applied for riding permits with Parks Vic Head Office for the entire year 2017. Thanks Tania.
- Bike Maintenance Sessions lead by Peter Henkel. Thanks! GMBC donated \$1000 to Geelong’s local Kids Plus Foundation supporting families with children with Cerebral Palsy in return for Jon Pendlebury riding the Tour 4 Kids Plus annual charity ride from Adelaide to Geelong. 2016 was a record breaking fundraising year for Kids Plus.
- Invested in our long term members by providing MTBA Level Zero Coaching training for 8 members. Now total 12 Level Zero Coaches.
- Developed and delivered “Skills at the Hill” - a 6 week Skills Coaching program aimed at local primary school children at The Hill facility in Geelong City. Extremely good value especially with 8 week free MTBA membership option. Thanks to Jono Connor for coordinating, Al, Steve Sullivan, Liz, Dave Rusden, Jon P, all of our parents as supporters. Survey Monkey feedback from the parents was very positive.
- Regular Dirt Girls Social Rides lead by Liz, actively supported by other committed club members (Margarita, Kate) which provides a female only biking environment and is continually popular with female club members and non-club members.
- Obtained \$2,000 grant for future coaching development. Thanks Glenn.
- Scheduled adult skills sessions at Stockyards in parallel with SNFF Series and in build up to Gazebo #3 in Stockyards. Thanks Dave Rusden.
- Purchased 2 Tail Counters for Parks Vic for installation in KPG. Thanks Al & Glenn.
- Committed to purchase new sign board at the You Yangs Park Entrance. Thanks Al, good idea.
- Increase in independent Rider Sponsorship – this is a sign of the calibre of the riders GMBC are producing. From established elites like Tom Ovens, Todd Cuthbert, former Young Guns; Riley Flaherty, James Goodall, Bert Henkel, in XC/enduro to downhill talent like Matt Stephens. Also testament to the all-inclusive membership we have with family members of different generations. Thanks to the Junior Development Programs set up years ago by former & current committee members, we are providing a good pool of quality junior riders from which external coaches can support and develop.
- GMBC Grandfather the SCTG. After 2-3 years of building relationships and understanding the perspectives of the key Stakeholders in the development of the Anglesea Trails, SCTG have finally got a good proportion of the Anglesea Trails officialised. Maps are available on Avanza and the SCTG will continue to develop plans to upgrade and maintain the trails.
- Veteran and Masters level riders frequently taking podium places in state and National level events. Too many people to mention individually. Keep it up, wear the Club Kit.

- Facebook usage both for official site and Clubroom (members only) has helped organize social rides. Thanks especially to Tania, Martz & Joel for demonstrating the power of social media.
- Moved to Mailchimp to manage emails in a more presentable format. Thanks Tania, Pete Gordon and Yates Designs.
- Club Kit availability twice a year. Thanks Martz.
- GMBC Branded Bottles. Thx Martz.

## Plans

- Attend Parks Trail Development committee Meetings.
  - Work together with the Park Rangers, YYMTB Club and some independent representatives to develop a master plan for trail development including application for Government grants to help complete The Epic and Junior Skills Park at Kurrajong Picnic Ground.
  - Understand impact of eBikes to trails and include in Trail Development Plans.
- Develop Surf Coast Trails – possibly run events, Modus operandi is TBE.
- Seek feedback from Members on race formats.
- Increase the video footage of Skills Sessions at different technical spots in the You Yangs Park.
- Train select Club Members for the higher level 3 day PMBI Coaching accreditation and add more Level Zero Coaching qualifications amongst our committed members.
- Run another “Skills at the Hill” course for primary schoolers October/November 2017.
- Run a joint GMBC-YYMTB event, XC + DH Teams, TBE.
- Investigate inclusion of our Standard events as part of National Series Rounds.
- Support National MTBA initiatives to promote World Class competitions in the Greater Geelong & Surf Coast Region.
- More GMBC social rides, locally and at other locations.
- 25 Years Celebration – as part of Club Presentations in September. 25 yr Special Edition Club Kit will be available. There will be some familiar faces from the past that set up and ran the Club to get it where it is today.

